



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

E. Schieve

Serial No.: 09/755,516

Confirmation No.: 5078

Filed:

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For:

Apparatus Having Platforms

Positioned For Precise Centering of Semiconductor Wafers During Processing

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 1763

Examiner:

K. Moore

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING 37 CFR 1.8

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 16, 2002

In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 16, 2002, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$324.00 for three additional independent claims and four total additional claims to counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/5320/RDE, in addition to any other fees required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend Figure 3 as shown in the attached red-lined copy. The proposed amendment is intended to correct an unintentional transcription error.